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In the news

Colwyn cops caught in Taser scandal

A small borough in Delaware County held a council meeting Thursday following a Taser scandal that cost three police officers their jobs. The officers let go Wednesday following reports that an officer used a Taser on a 17-year-old in a holding cell on April 24. The Delaware County district attorney's office is investigating. METRO

In the news

Extra service

SEPTA will provide extra service this weekend for the Broad Street Run and two 76ers playoff games. The Broad Street Subway will have additional trains before and after the race. Runners can ride for free by showing their race identification number. Additional trains will also run Friday and Sunday for the Sixers games. METRO

Woman, 31, missing since late April

NORTH PHILADELPHIA. Police are searching for a woman who disappeared nearly two weeks ago.

Mia Robertson, 31, was reported missing by her sister at 9 p.m. on April 21. Robertson, who lives on the 1500 block of North Bailey Street, was last seen on the 2000 block of West Berks Street, less than a mile away.

She is described as a 5-foot-6-inch, 185-pound black woman with a light complexion and straight, shoulder length black hair. Police said she has a tattoo on the right side of her neck reading "MR TOPP KATT" and a butterfly on her left hand. METRO/AW

Two killed in house fire

WEST PHILADELPHIA. A fire reportedly killed two women in the Belmont section late Thursday afternoon.

Flames engulfed the second and third floors of a home on the 4100 block of Pennsgrove Street around 3:30 p.m. and were under control within a half hour, Executive Chief Richard Davison said.

The cause of the fire is unknown. METRO/AW

Bar shooter on the loose

SOUTHWEST PHILADELPHIA. Police are looking for the suspect responsible for a recent bar shooting that injured two people.

The shooting happened April 21 outside Good Times Bar Two at the corner of 66th and Lansdowne Avenue. Authorities said that after an altercation between two women, the male suspect pulled out a gun and fired several times into a crowd of people standing outside the bar.

One person was shot in the knee, while a second person was wounded in the shin. METRO

Metro interview

"Iran can't be permitted to develop the nuclear bomb. We are continuing our policy of triple sanctions and credible military threat."

"I like Philadelphia. I am an oarsman, so I have rowed on the Schuylkill. I love the art. I am a big fan of Thomas Eakins."

US AMBASSADOR TO ISRAEL MICHAEL OREN 'WE'RE AN OPEN SOCIETY'

The Israeli Ambassador to the United States, Michael Oren, will be the keynote speaker at the International Equality Dinner this Saturday. Israel is the featured nation at the 20th anniversary of the Equality Forum, the major LGBT civil rights summit in the country that is being held in Philadelphia from May 3-6. Oren, a New Jersey native, is planning to reaffirm Israel's commitment to gay rights during his speech.

What is the status of gay rights in Israel?

Israel has always had a commitment to gay rights. The Israeli Declaration of Independence guaranteed equality for everyone irrespective of sex. We have made a lot of progress, but we want to continue to advance. In the Middle East, we are in a tough neighborhood for gay rights.

Can you give us a sneak preview of your speech?

I plan to list many examples of Israel's progressiveness towards gays. Two examples are: The Palestinian LGBT groups can't operate in the Palestinian territories so Israel provides them shelter. My ministry, the foreign ministry, provides equal treatment for spouses of gay employees. I am not sure any other country does that.

What do you say to those that criticize Israel being featured at the Equality Forum?

Israel was fighting for gay rights before the 1967 war. Even when terrorists were blowing up our buses and cafes, there was equality for gays.

What are your impressions of Philadelphia?

In Jerusalem, I live right near Liberty Bell Park, which has a replica of the Liberty Bell. So seeing the Liberty Bell will make feel like I am home. I spent my honeymoon in Philadelphia. I got married while I was serving in Beirut so my wife and I did not have a honeymoon. When I arrived in Princeton to continue my studies, I took my wife to Philadelphia for a honeymoon. I like Philadelphia. I am an oarsman, so I have rowed on the Schuylkill River. I love the art. I am a big fan of Thomas Eakins.

What is the biggest misconception about Israel?

One of the biggest misconceptions about Israel is that it is a nation of conflict. It is a nation of creativity, innovation, and technological advances. Israel has always been a liberal democracy. There has never been a time of non-Democratic rule.

How do you feel about President Obama?

Obama is a friend of Israel.

How do you feel about the recent criticism of Israel's aggressive stance towards Iran from retired intelligence and government figures?

We are an open society. They are entitled to their opinions. But the democratically elected government has the responsibility to defend Israel. Obama has recognized Israel's sovereignty.

Front and center

Oren is part of a full slate of events to close out the Forum.

- In addition to Oren's keynote speech, Saturday's events include a national same-sex marriage panel at the Double Tree Hotel in Center City and an Israeli tourism panel at University of the Arts.
- The Equality Forum will conclude its annual SundayOUT event at the Piazza at Schmidt's in Northern Liberties.
- Oren is author of "Power, Faith and Fantasy: America in the Middle East: 1776 to the Present" and "Six Days of War: June 1967 and the Making of the Modern Middle East."
- He was a distinguished fellow at the Shalem Center in Jerusalem and a contributing editor to "The New Republic" and the Shalem Center's quarterly journal, Azure.

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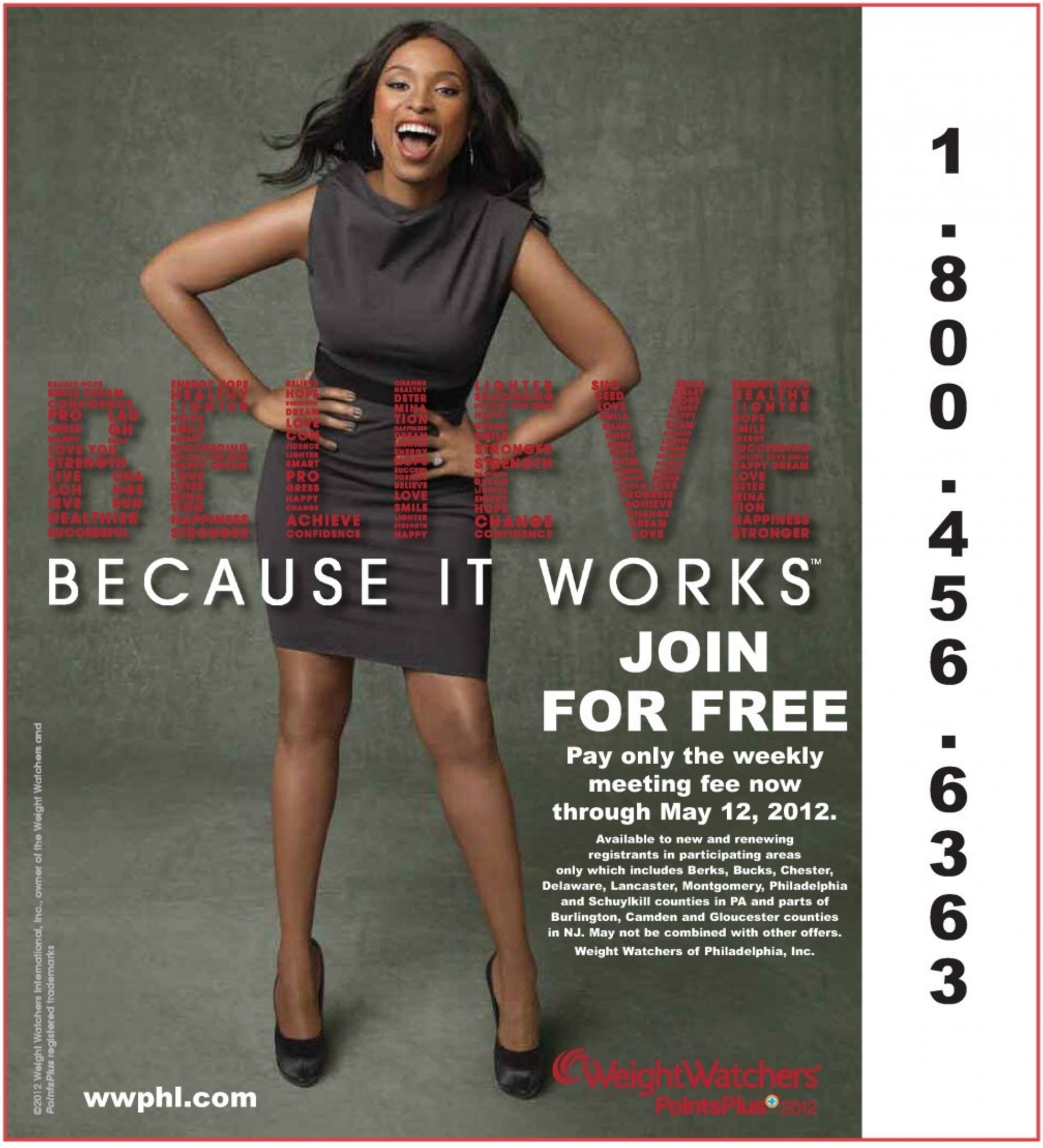
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Teen dead after hail of bullets in W. Philly

Police say a dark colored car with tinted windows pulled up as the teens left a West Philly grocery store and seven shots were fired from the car window.

RIKARD LARMA/METRO

▶ Police say Harvey lived at a homeless shelter with family members. No motive has been established.

Police are searching for the gunmen who shot and killed a 16-year-old Wednesday night in the Haddington section of West Philadelphia.

The victim, identified by multiple reports as Yasin Harvey, was shot five times around 8:20 p.m. at 62nd and Callowhill streets after a gunman fired from a car window, then sped away. Harvey was reportedly leaving a local grocery store with some friends after running an errand for his aunt.

He was rushed to the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania in critical condition, but succumbed to his injuries around 5 a.m. Thursday. Investigators believe the teen to be a bystander caught in the crossfire or the victim of mistaken identity. Police said the young man has no history of violent or narcotics-related arrests and did not live in the area.

"We have an innocent kid shot and killed at 16 years of age," Homicide Capt. James Clark told media at the scene. "We don't believe he was the intended target. It seems like he was a really, really good kid."

Harvey reportedly lived with his family at a nearby homeless shelter. Police have not yet made any arrests, but are looking for a dark colored sedan with tinted windows.

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L&I commish leaving

Licenses and Inspections Commissioner Fran Burns is stepping down to take a job as executive director of Pennsylvania Intergovernmental Cooperation Authority, Mayor Michael Nutter announced.

Burns was appointed commissioner by Nutter in August 2008 and had previously served as deputy commissioner of the department since 2004. She had also held positions as assistant managing director and assistant budget director.

The department, which was often criticized by developers and residents for the amount of time it took to issue permits and respond to violations, has improved response time under Burns' leadership. It has also made an effort to crack down on absentee or negligent property owners.

Burns will head back to PICA, where she worked previously. She will now be responsible for reviewing the city budget and five-year plan. METRO

Bail upheld for alleged slasher

PHILADELPHIA. Bail was upheld Thursday for the Mayfair man accused of slashing tires in his own neighborhood.

David Toledo, 44, is accused of slashing more than 50 tires between Jan. 13 and April 16. He is being held on $250,000 following his arrest two weeks ago.

Municipal Judge Bradley Moss upheld Toledo's bail despite his attorney's claim that Toledo has ties to the community and no serious criminal history. Toledo is scheduled to stand trial on July 12. METRO

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More AVI-related bills introduced

City Council's debate regarding the Nutter administration's proposed Actual Value Initiative of real estate assessments, which would update property values for the first time since 2004, has become increasingly heated in recent days.

The Nutter administration claims the move to AVI is a long-needed improvement to an unfair and antiquated system and will raise an additional $94 million for the embattled Philadelphia School District. Officials said that, without the revenue, schools may be unable to open in the fall.

City Council President Darrell Clarke introduced a packet of bills Thursday intended to provide additional protections for low income homeowners at risk of getting slammed with higher bills due to the assessments.

▶ Clarke

"The legislation has been introduced. I don't know what's going to happen — no one does," Clarke said of AVI, calling the state's role, such as approving its homestead exemption, a "rolling ball."

"Whatever ends up happening, this provides support to individual citizens who can't pay their taxes," he said.

Councilman Bill Green blasted AVI following a hearing during which he claimed officials were unable to provide him with the data or deadlines necessary to estimate its impact.

"Council will rue the day it takes an uninformed vote on the most significant issue, at least since I've been in Council," Green said. "The absence of such information is the administration's responsibility based on their chosen timetable, and it feels purposeful."

Councilman Curtis Jones responded, saying, "I'm fearful of losing a whole generation of young people due to someone's ineptitude, whether it's the school administration or someone else that failed to hold them accountable."

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Movies. Colin Farrell

▶ Farrell played a sniper for the day.

PAIGE OZAROSKI/METRO

NYC comes to Rittenhouse

Actor Colin Farrell filmed a scene Wednesday for action thriller "Dean Man Down" on Walnut Street. The film, which also features co-star Terrence Howard, will continue filming near Rittenhouse Square Friday and Monday. Traffic in the area is being detoured and intermittent closures are also expected on 17th Street. METRO

RICARD LABNA/METRO

Another hurdle for bike lanes

PHILADELPHIA. Councilman Bill Greenlee introduced legislation Thursday that would require city bike lanes to be authorized by Council, similar to other modifications to streets or traffic patterns.

"Right now, Council has no say in establishing bike lanes," Greenlee said. "The administration can put them in as they see fit."

"We're not against bikes, bike lanes or bikers," he said. "I do think, and I think other members of Council agree, that there are places that bike lanes are not appropriate."

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Have we sold our democracy to the highest bidders? Absolutely. Do you care? That depends.

An analysis released this week by watchdog group Center for Public Integrity revealed that a small handful of mega-rich billionaires have been given disproportionate control over our political discourse. Of all super PAC donations this election season, data show, more than a third — $68 million out of a total $202 million — came from the top 10 contributors.

And here's another little nugget of joy: Most of these most-wealthy donors happen to be fabulously conservative. Of the top 10 donors, seven were right-leaning individuals (six Republicans, one a libertarian giving to a Republican candidate), two were left-leaning unions, and one an obscure doctors co-op.

Contrary to impressions that the Supreme Court's Citizens United ruling would usher in an era of unfettered free speech, what we've got here is a dramatic devaluing of ordinary speech. Necessarily, as this tiny slice of rich fellows spends vast millions to legally disseminate their right-wing beliefs, the thoughts of regular individuals suffer a sort of idea inflation: The views of real working people are drowned beneath the onslaught of slick campaign materials. There's no competing, unless, perhaps, you're a union; but let's be honest, you're probably not.

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▶ Sheldon Adelson, with his wife, has so far donated the most super PAC money: $26.5 million. He's worth an estimated $21.5 billion.

And just what have the fruits of this newfound freedom borne? Well, a whole lot of negativity, actually. According to a report from the Wesleyan Media Project, 70 percent of TV campaign ads so far this election season have been negative — up from a downright upbeat 9.1 percent in the 2008 campaign! Oh, the good old days, when men were men and secret Muslims knew how to keep their mouths shut.

Whether any of this bothers you will likely depend on your political affiliation. Do you care that money is poisoning the political process? Our guess: Not if your team is winning.

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- "Ron Paul Supporters Take Over State Caucuses, Hope To Shake Up Convention In Tampa" **TPM2012**
- "What Is President Obama's Problem with Medical Marijuana?" **TIME.COM**
- "Rove: Victory Laps and Double Standards" **WSJ.COM**
- "Obama plan would ease weapons export rules" **THE WASHINGTON POST**

He said, we said

"I spoke with a fireman yesterday, and he has a one-bedroom apartment, and his wife is pregnant, and he can't afford a second bedroom."

HERE'S MITT ROMNEY, ATTEMPTING TO CULTIVATE AN AURA OF CARES-FOR-REAL-PEOPLENESS WEDNESDAY. BUT THEN, HERE'S ROMNEY LAST WEEK: "WE WILL STOP THE UNFAIRNESS OF GOVERNMENT WORKERS GETTING BETTER PAY AND BENEFITS THAN THE TAXPAYERS THEY SERVE." GUESS WHAT, ROMNEY? FIREMEN ARE GOVERNMENT WORKERS. OOPS.

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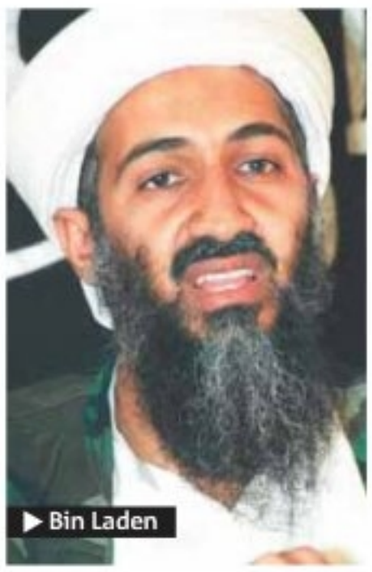
Docs: Bin Laden wanted to make Biden president

Osama bin Laden was acutely aware of mistakes within al Qaeda that led to lost trust among Muslims after countless attacks from the terrorist network that killed civilians. One of his grandest plans was an assassination of President Barack Obama in an effort to thrust Vice President Joe Biden into the Oval Office — a job for which Biden was "utterly unprepared" for, according to bin Laden.

The Combating Terrorism Center at West Point has published 17 declassified documents online that were seized during the 2011 raid on bin Laden's compound, during which the terrorist leader was killed by U.S. troops.

The documents, which date from 2006 to 2011, offer a glimpse into a crumbling organization of which bin Laden knew he was losing control.


▶ Bin Laden

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▶ Biden

He was determined to reform the al Qaeda name and focus efforts on attacking the United States.

Bin Laden hoped for an opportunity to target airplanes carrying Gen. David Petraeus and President Obama.

"The groups will remain on the lookout for Obama or Petraeus. The reason for concentrating on them is that Obama is the head of infidelity, and killing him automatically will make Biden take over the presidency for the remainder of the term, as it is the norm over there," bin Laden wrote. "Biden is totally unprepared for that post, which will lead the U.S. into a crisis."

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OSAMA BIN LADEN IN DOCUMENTS THAT WERE SEIZED DURING THE 2011 RAID ON HIS COMPOUND

These documents are among the thousands recovered in the raid of his compound. It is unclear whether any others will be made public in the future.

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News in brief

Facebook IPO set to smash records

SAN FRANCISCO. Facebook plans to raise as much as $12 billion in Silicon Valley's largest IPO, dwarfing the coming-out parties of tech companies like Google Inc. and granting the world's largest social network a market value close to Amazon.com's. The 8-year-old social network that began as Mark Zuckerberg's Harvard dorm room project priced its initial public offering at between $28 and $35 a share on Thursday, attaining a valuation of as much as $95.9 billion at the high end. Investors are expected to flock to the highly anticipated IPO, though some have voiced concerns about the social network's longer-term growth. **REUTERS**

China dissident calls US Congress

BEIJING. Blind Chinese dissident Chen Guangcheng wants to leave for the United States, telling Reuters his safety cannot be assured under a U.S.-China deal that had persuaded him to give up refuge in the U.S. embassy in Beijing.

Chen Guangchen made a dramatic telephone appeal

to come to the United States in a call broadcast live to a U.S. congressional hearing on Thursday.

"I want to come to the U.S. to rest. I have not had a rest in 10 years," Chen said, his comments made on a mobile telephone that was held up to a microphone at the hearing. "I'm concerned most right now with the safety of my mother and brothers. I really want to know what's going on with them." **REUTERS**

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'The Avengers'
Grade: ❶❷❸❹❺

Nick Fury (a Cyclopic Sam Jackson) has, then doesn't have, a magical, interdimensional space cube. Turns out, it's a bad thing to lose, especially to a miffed Norse god with access to giant, evil, flying space dino-fish and a passing similarity to Pee Wee Herman. Obviously, this is a quandary that will require some avenging.

"The Avengers," directed by fanboy impresario Joss Whedon, is essentially the movie for which Marvel Film releases "Iron Man" 1 and 2, "Captain America," "Thor" — and a handful of Hulk movies acted as protracted trailers. "The Avengers" knows what you want. With that in mind, Whedon makes a playground where character dynamics, not details, shine — and he plays with his heroes like a little boy smashing toys together. Amplified with stellar effects, "The Avengers" is more inventive than your typical action fest.

JIM FENNER

AVENGERS ASSEMBLE!

It's the biggest superhero movie of the summer, at least if you count the egos Marvel's all-stars talk about teaming up for the first time

It's all been leading up to this: Four years after "Iron Man" — with "The Incredible Hulk," "Thor" and "Captain America" in between — "The Avengers" assembles Marvel's team of superheroes into the summer's first blockbuster.

Written and directed by "Buffy" creator Joss Whedon, the film finds our heroes in New York City, trading barbs while battling Loki, the superbaddie from "Thor." We asked each member to reflect on their roles, working with such a large all-star cast and why Whedon is "the Line Police."

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"Thor"

Chris Hemsworth on being a graceful Norse god:

"I have one [fight] scene where I was on the wire — because I hadn't learned to fly yet — and I was supposed to come down and land on a cliff," he says. "I was supposed to land, step and have a conversation. The first couple of takes — and this is going on the DVD extras somewhere — I just face-planted into the dirt. Very ungraceful and un-superhero-like."

"Captain America"

Chris Evans on his role in the team:

"I give all these orders. It's like, 'Hulk, you do this impossible thing. Thor, you bottleneck a portal and Iron Man, you fly over here — and I'll take the stairs.'" [Laughs] Who would he trade places with if he could? "See, I want to say Iron Man, because I love those movies," he says. "But who can do it better, you know what I mean? You think the shoes would be too big to fill."

"The Incredible Hulk"

Mark Ruffalo on taking the mantle:

As the third actor to play this role in a decade — after Eric Bana and Edward Norton — Ruffalo says: "It was terrifying. I knew what my responsibility was, or I felt it just by making the mistake of going online and reading some of the fanboy responses to the announcement that I was playing the next version of Bruce Banner. And that was a mistake. I will never do that again. But I never had a role more scrutinized and criticized before I even shot a single frame."

"Iron Man"

Robert Downey Jr. on not going it alone anymore:

"I remember I would get nervous about [the idea of pairing us up] and excited about it and doubtful of it," says the erstwhile Tony Stark. "By the time Chris and Chris had launched their individual franchises with success and charisma, and by the time we had Mark, I was like, wow. So just being a worker among workers is kind of where I started out and it was nice to not have to really have to carry a movie. And everyone was really, really, really equal in this venture."

"Hawkeye"

Jeremy Renner on how surreal it was to assemble the team for the first time:

"I think it's just getting all of the actors in one room all in costume, it was like Halloween," Renner says. "I was friends with them as humans, and now they're dressed up like silly people. When everybody was together, that was the most memorable. And creepy and funny. Getting to play with Thor's hammer while he stroked my bow. Oh here we go, that's going to be great. That's going to get me in trouble."

"Nick Fury"

Samuel L. Jackson on being the straight man:

Director Joss Whedon admits that a lot of the funnier character moments in "The Avengers" came from improvisation among the cast — but Samuel L. Jackson, who plays team organizer Nick Fury in the film, would beg to differ. "I kept wanting to say [to Thor], 'I don't come to your world to blow s— up,' but they won't let me say it," Jackson admits. "I don't get to say this nice, cute s—. Every time I would change something, [Whedon] would come to me like the Line Police. He was always on me!"

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Review

▶ The cast is so packed with older British stars, it might as well be England's answer to "New Year's Eve."

'The Best Exotic Marigold Hotel'

Director: John Madden
Cast: Judi Dench, Bill Nighy, Tom Wilkinson
Rating: PG-13 **Grade:** ●●●○○
An objective movie review — if there can be such a thing — wouldn't mention how just the idea of a film about British retirees who emigrate to Jaipur, India sounds like a stuffy, unfunny idea. While it's true that most films center on those in the prime of their lives and it truly is a shame that people in their golden years are underrepresented, could we meekly suggest that perhaps there's a reason for that? Does anyone want to watch Judi Dench coquettishly bat her eyes at Bill Nighy? Or feel the inevitability of at least one of the characters heading off for the pearly gates at some point?

Look, the story is, while front-loaded with cliches, pleasant enough. The actors are some of the best Britain has to offer. The backdrop of Jaipur is fascinating. The story sensitively deals with issues that come with aging and broken relationships, while adding the right amount of gentle humor. Your parents will love it. But you probably won't get too much out of it. ● HEIDI PATALANO

Actorfest casting a net in Philly

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This Saturday, Actorfest makes its first stop in Philly, offering workshops, networking opportunities and casting calls for aspiring actors, seasoned pros and reality show hopefuls.

"There's a wonderful film commission in Philadelphia, and a wonderful community of people in the performing arts."
JOSH SHAMES

"I think it's an event that people in Philadelphia want," says event coordinator Josh Shames of the annual convention, which also makes stops in New York, L.A., Detroit, Las Vegas and Chicago. "There's a wonderful film commission in Philadelphia, and a wonderful community of people in the performing arts."

Networks in attendance Saturday include MTV — currently casting for the reality series "Made" — and NBC. "These networks, movies and studios are all looking for different talents," says Shames. "We make sure that people are not only walking away with a better understanding of the industry, but also have the opportunity to walk away with a job."

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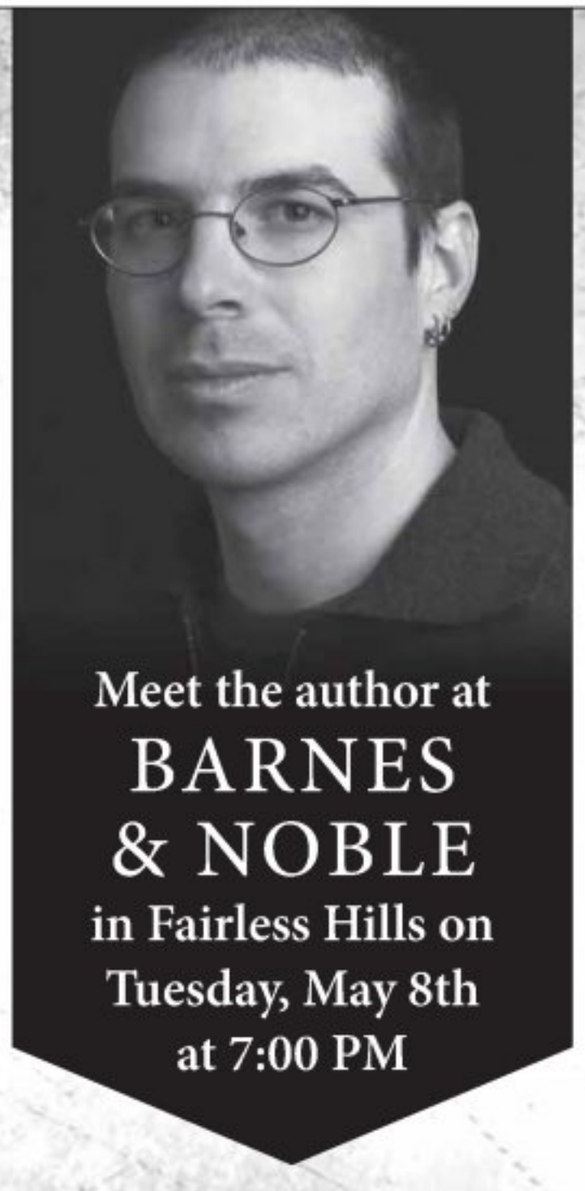

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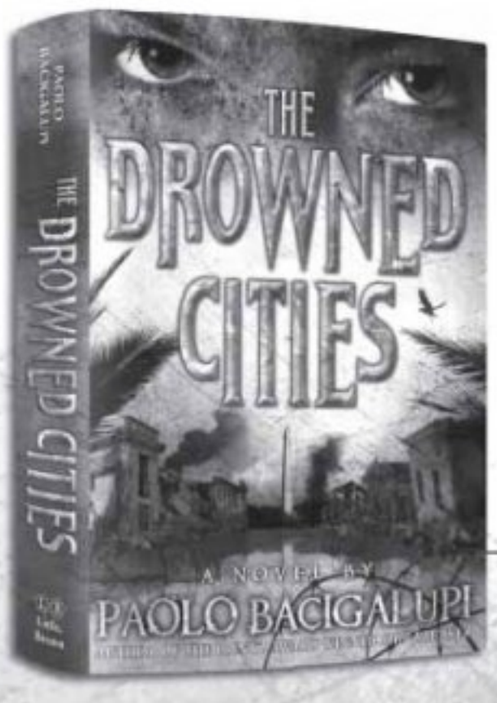

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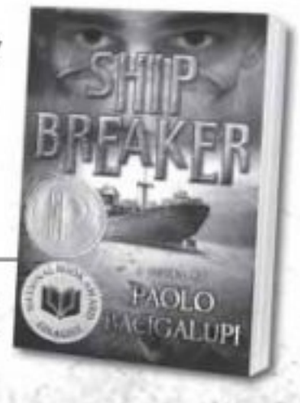

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▶ Clever crime-solvers Dr. John Watson (Martin Freeman, left) and Sherlock Holmes (Benedict Cumberbatch) are back to work on "Sherlock."

'Sherlock'

DRAMA. It's not often that we just come right out and say, "Watch this show," but here it is: You must watch "Sherlock." This take on Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's eccentric detective turns the clock to modern London, where Holmes (the commanding, fascinating Benedict Cumberbatch) solves unsolvable crimes with the help of Iraq vet Dr. John Watson (Martin Freeman as the perfect calm foil), who blogs their escapades. The cases, based on Conan Doyle's tales, are twisty, dark and artfully shot, more than enough to capture the imagination of a generation that has grown up on "CSI." But these episodes are also whip-smart and fun, so it would be impossible to mistake "Sherlock" for a run-of-the-mill procedural. The introduction of The Woman, a dominatrix who enters a power play with Holmes in Sunday's premiere, makes sure of that. **Season premiere, Sunday, 9 p.m., PBS**

'Saturday Night Live'

COMEDY. Super Bowl champ Eli Manning is out to prove his sense of humor is as keen as his throwing arm when he suits up as this week's host. Rihanna is the musical guest. **Saturday, 11:30 p.m., NBC**

'Treasure Island'

MOVIE. The Robert Louis Stevenson classic gets a reboot featuring Eddie Izzard as the swashbuckling Long John Silver. Donald Sutherland and Elijah Wood also star in this four-hour epic. **Saturday, 7 p.m., Syfy**

'The Comedy Awards'

SPECIAL. The funniest in the biz honor — and skewer — their own. Robert De Niro and Jon Stewart present Don Rickles with the Johnny Carson Award for Comedic Excellence, while Robin Williams accepts the Stand-Up Icon Award from Patton Oswalt. **Sunday, 9 p.m., Comedy Central**

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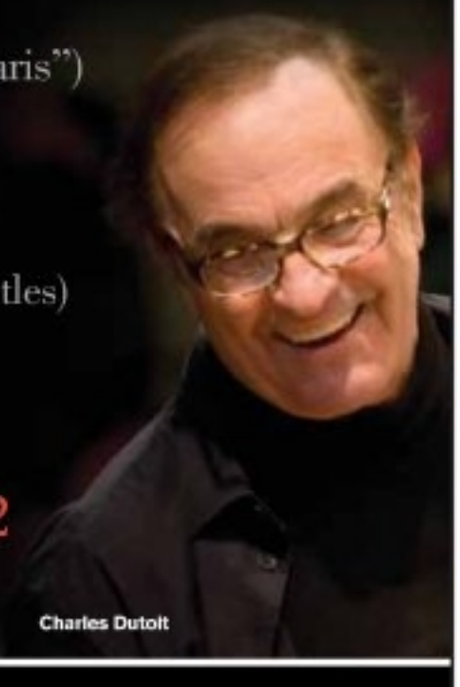
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STEVE MINICOLA

▶ This Maize God stone carving is one of 150 objects on view in "MAYA 2012: Lords of Time."

Apocalypse not now

New Penn Museum exhibit debunks the Maya 2012 myth while showing off some of the civilization's less infamous work

Visitors to "MAYA 2012: Lords of Time" are greeted by a wall of video screens erupting in apocalyptic images. Is the Penn Museum declaring that this will be the last major exhibition any of us will see before the end of the world?

"I hope not," says co-curator Simon Martin with a laugh.

Taking the fascination with the Mayan calendar as a leaping-off point, "MAYA 2012" debunks those cataclysmic theories while showcasing the culture's extraordinary number and calendar system. "Truth tends to be stranger than fiction," Martin says of the show. "Most people don't understand what an astonishing amount of real achievement the ancient Maya made."

The show features more than 100 objects, many recently excavated by Penn Museum archaeologists in Copan, Honduras, tracing the Maya culture up to the present day. Striking artworks — and replicas of objects unable to travel from Honduras, created with 3-D scanning technology — stand alongside interactive stations that allow visitors to interview experts, participate in a virtual excavation or dial up their birthdate on the Mayan calendar.

ALEXANDRA FLEISCHMAN FOR PENN MUSEUM

▶ Although the Mayan calendar didn't actually predict this year's upcoming apocalypse, media coverage of it is included in the exhibit.

So where did this end-times myth come from? "It's a little difficult to say," Martin admits. "It's a combination of different ideas from different places. Some of it comes from Maya myths, but they've been confused with a less-than-complete understanding of the calendar, mixed together in ways that two plus two equals five."

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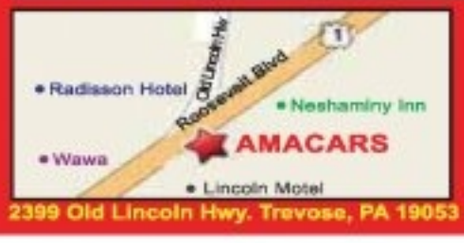

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THE FIVE-YEAR ENGAGEMENT (R) Fri and Sat 10:50, 12:30, 1:55, 3:30, 5:00, 6:20, 8:10, 9:15, 11:10, 12:20. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:50-12:30-1:55-3:30-5:00-6:20-7:50-9:15-10:45. Digital Presentation
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) Fri and Sat 9:20, 10:30, 12:35, 2:10, 4:00, 5:20, 7:15, 8:45, 10:30, 11:55. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:20-10:30-12:35-2:10-4:00-5:20-7:15-8:45-10:30. Digital Presentation
A LITTLE BIT OF HEAVEN (PG-13) 9:25, 12:20, 2:55, 5:35, 8:15, 10:50.C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
LOCKOUT (PG-13) Fri and Sat 9:45, 12:10. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:45. Digital Presentation
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) Fri and Sat 11:00, 1:35, 4:35, 7:20, 10:15, 12:45. Digital Presentation; Sun 11:00-1:35-4:35-7:20-10:15. Digital Presentation
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS (PG-13) Fri and Sat 9:10, 10:10, 12:00, 1:30, 3:10, 4:40, 6:30, 8:00, 9:50, 11:20, 1:00. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:10-10:10-12:00-1:30-3:10-4:40-6:30-8:00-9:50. Digital Presentation
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS 3D (PG-13) Fri and Sat 10:40, 11:20, 2:00, 2:40, 5:10, 6:00, 8:30, 9:20, 11:50, 12:40. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D; Sun 10:40-11:20-2:00-2:40-5:10-6:00-8:30-9:20. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS: AN IMAX 3D EXPERIENCE (PG-13) 9:40, 1:00, 4:10, 7:30, 10:50. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D
MIRROR MIRROR (PG) 9:15, 12:00, 2:35, 5:15. Digital Presentation
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS 3D (PG) Fri and Sat 11:10, 1:40, 4:20, 6:40, 9:00, 12:15. RealD 3D; Sun 11:10-1:40-4:20-6:40-9:00. RealD 3D
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS (PG) Fri 9:50, 12:15, 2:30, 5:05, 7:25; Sat 10:00. SFF-Sensory Friendly Film; Sat 12:15-2:30-5:05-7:25.; Sun 9:50-12:15-2:30-5:05-7:25.
THE RAVEN (R) Fri and Sat 10:00, 12:40, 3:15, 5:45, 8:20, 10:55. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:00-12:40-3:15-5:45-8:15-10:50. Digital Presentation
RESTLESS CITY (R) Fri and Sat 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30, 12:00.C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation; Sun 11:30-2:00-4:30-7:00-9:30.C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
SAFE (R) 11:05, 1:30, 4:25, 7:00, 10:40. Digital Presentation
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) Fri and Sat 9:30, 10:55, 12:25, 1:50, 3:20, 4:50, 6:15, 7:45, 9:10, 11:00, 12:05. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:30-10:55-12:25-1:50-3:20-4:50-6:15-7:45-9:10-10:35. Digital Presentation
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) 9:35, 12:10, 2:50, 5:40, 8:05. Digital Presentation
TITANIC 3D (PG-13) 11:30, 3:40. RealD 3D
WRATH OF THE TITANS (PG-13) Fri and Sat 10:25, 12:50. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:25. Digital Presentation

AMC Neshaminy 24
215-396-8050
Route 1 and Bristol Rd.
21 JUMP STREET (R) Fri and Sat 10:25, 1:20, 4:15, 7:10, 9:55, 12:35. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:25-1:20-4:15-7:10-9:55. Digital Presentation
AMERICAN REUNION (R) Fri and Sat 1:40, 4:45, 7:40, 10:40. Digital Presentation; Sun 1:40-4:45-7:40-10:35. Digital Presentation
BULLY (PG-13) 11:00.C INDEPENDENT
THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) Fri and Sat 10:45, 1:10, 4:05, 6:45, 9:25, 12:05. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:45-1:10-4:05-6:45-9:25. Digital Presentation
CHIMPANZEE (G) 10:20, 12:40, 2:55, 5:10, 7:35, 9:45. Digital Presentation
THE FIVE-YEAR ENGAGEMENT (R) Fri and Sat 9:50, 11:20, 12:50, 2:20, 4:00, 5:20, 7:15, 8:45, 10:20, 11:50. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:50-11:20-12:50-2:20-4:00-5:20-7:15-8:45-10:15. Digital Presentation
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) Fri and Sat 10:35, 12:20, 1:50, 3:50, 5:25, 7:05, 8:50, 10:35, 12:10. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:35-12:20-1:50-3:50-5:25-7:05-8:50-10:30. Digital Presentation
LOCKOUT (PG-13) 10:10. Digital Presentation
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) Fri and Sat 11:15, 1:45, 4:45, 7:25, 10:10. Digital Presentation; Sun 11:15-1:45-4:45-7:25-10:05. Digital Presentation
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS (PG-13) Fri 9:30, 10:30, 1:00, 2:00, 4:30, 5:30, 8:00, 9:00, 11:30, 12:30, 12:35. Digital Presentation; Sat 9:30-10:30-1:00-2:00-4:30-5:30-8:00-9:00-11:30-12:30. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:30-10:30-1:00-2:00-4:30-5:30-8:00-9:00. Digital Presentation
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS 3D (PG-13) Fri 10:00, 12:00, 1:30, 3:30, 5:00, 7:00, 8:30, 10:30, 12:00, 12:35. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D; Sat 10:00-12:00-1:30-3:30-5:00-7:00-8:30-10:30-12:00. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D; Sun 10:00-12:00-1:30-3:30-5:00-7:00-8:30-10:30. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS: AN IMAX 3D EXPERIENCE (PG-13) Fri and Sat 11:00, 2:30, 6:00, 9:30, 12:45. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D; Sun 11:00-2:30-6:00-9:30. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D
MIRROR MIRROR (PG) Fri 10:40, 1:25, 4:20, 7:05, 9:50. Digital Presentation; Sat 10:40-1:25-4:20. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:40-1:25-4:20-7:05-9:50. Digital Presentation
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS (PG) 9:45, 11:05, 12:15, 1:35, 2:45, 4:10, 5:15, 6:40, 7:45, 9:15; Sat 10:00. Digital Presentation;SFF-Sensory Friendly Film
THE RAVEN (R) Fri and Sat 10:40, 1:15, 4:00, 6:50, 9:40, 12:40. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:40-1:15-4:00-6:50-9:40. Digital Presentation
RING KINGS: MAYWEATHER VS. COTTO (NR) Sat 9:00
SAFE (R) Fri and Sat 11:30, 2:05, 4:40, 7:20, 9:55, 12:25. Digital Presentation; Sun 11:30-2:05-4:40-7:20-9:55. Digital Presentation
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) Fri 9:35, 12:35, 1:55, 3:35, 4:55, 6:35, 7:55, 9:35, 11:05, 12:35. Digital Presentation; Sat 9:35-10:55-12:35-1:55-3:35-4:55-6:35-8:05-9:35-11:05-12:35. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:35-10:55-12:35-1:55-3:35-4:55-6:35-7:55-9:35-10:45. Digital Presentation
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) Fri and Sat 9:55, 12:30, 3:00, 5:35, 8:05, 10:50. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:55-12:30-3:00-5:35-8:05-10:40. Digital Presentation
TITANIC 3D (PG-13) Fri and Sat 9:30, 1:40, 5:55, 10:05. RealD 3D; Sun 9:30-1:40-5:55-10:00. RealD 3D
WRATH OF THE TITANS (PG-13) 9:40, 2:50, 8:10. Digital Presentation
WRATH OF THE TITANS 3D (PG-13) Fri and Sat 12:15, 5:30, 10:45. RealD 3D; Sun 12:15-5:30-10:40. RealD 3D

AMC Plymouth Meeting Mall 12
888-AMC-4FUN
Next to Plymouth Meeting Mall
BULLY (PG-13) Fri 12:30, 3:00, 5:40.C INDEPENDENT; Sat 9:50-12:30-3:00-5:40.C INDEPENDENT; Sun 12:00-2:30-4:50.C INDEPENDENT
THE FIVE-YEAR ENGAGEMENT (R) Fri 11:15, 12:45, 2:00, 3:45, 4:50, 6:30, 7:40, 9:15, 10:30. Digital Presentation; Sat 9:55-11:15-12:45-2:00-3:45-4:50-6:30-7:40-9:15-10:30. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:55-11:15-12:45-2:00-3:45-4:50-6:30-7:40-9:15. Digital Presentation
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) Fri and Sat 11:20, 12:40, 2:20, 3:50, 5:30, 7:00, 8:30, 10:05. Digital Presentation; Sun 11:20-12:20-2:20-3:20-5:30-6:30-8:30-9:30. Digital Presentation
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) Fri 12:15, 2:55, 5:20, 7:50, 10:15. Digital Presentation; Sat 9:55-12:15-2:55-5:20-7:50-10:15. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:55-12:15-2:35-5:00-7:20-9:45. Digital Presentation
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS 3D (PG) Fri 12:55, 3:05, 5:15, 7:30, 9:40. RealD 3D; Sat and Sun 10:20-12:55-3:05-5:15-7:30-9:40. RealD 3D
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS (PG) 11:10, 1:45, 4:00, 6:15, 8:35
THE RAID: REDEMPTION (SERBUAN MAUT) (R) Fri and Sat 8:00, 10:25.C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation; Sun 7:20-9:45.C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
SAFE (R) 10:50, 1:10, 3:30, 6:25, 9:00. Digital Presentation
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) Fri and Sat 10:55, 1:10, 3:35, 6:00, 8:15, 10:30. Digital Presentation; Sun 10:55-1:10-3:35-6:00-8:15. Digital Presentation
WOMAN THOU ART LOOSED: ON THE 7TH DAY (PG-13) Fri and Sat 11:30, 1:50, 4:35, 7:15, 9:50.C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation; Sun 11:30-1:50-4:35-7:15-9:40.C INDEPENDENT;Digital Presentation
WRATH OF THE TITANS (PG-13) 1:15, 6:00. Digital Presentation
WRATH OF THE TITANS 3D (PG-13) Fri 3:40, 8:20. RealD 3D; Sat and Sun 10:30-3:40-8:20. RealD 3D

AMC Woodhaven 10
888-AMC-4FUN
Route 13, near I-95 and Woodhaven Road exit
THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) Fri and Sat 10:20; Sun 8:00.
CHIMPANZEE (G) Fri 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00. Digital Presentation; Sat 11:00-1:00-3:00-5:00-7:00-9:00. Digital Presentation; Sun 11:00-1:00-3:00-5:00-7:00. Digital Presentation
THE FIVE-YEAR ENGAGEMENT (R) Fri 2:05, 4:55, 7:50, 10:35; Sat 11:15-2:05-4:55-7:50-10:35.; Sun 11:15-2:05-4:55-7:50.
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) Fri 2:35, 5:05, 7:35, 10:00; Sat 9:40-12:05-2:35-5:05-7:35-10:00.; Sun 9:40-12:05-2:35-5:05-7:35.
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS (PG-13) Fri 1:00, 4:15, 7:30, 10:40. Digital Presentation; Sat 9:50-1:00-4:15-7:30-10:40. Digital Presentation; Sun 9:50-1:00-4:15-7:30. Digital Presentation
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS 3D (PG-13) Fri 2:00, 5:15, 8:20. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D; Sat and Sun 10:50-2:00-5:15-8:20. Digital Presentation;RealD 3D
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS 3D (PG) Fri 5:20, 9:50. RealD 3D; Sat 12:45-5:20-9:50. RealD 3D; Sun 12:45-5:20. RealD 3D
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS (PG) Fri 3:10, 7:40; Sat and Sun 10:30-3:10-7:40.
THE RAVEN (R) Fri 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15; Sat 9:45-12:15-2:45-5:15-7:45-10:15.; Sun 9:45-12:15-2:45-5:15-7:45.
SAFE (R) Fri 2:50, 5:25, 8:05, 10:45; Sat 9:35-12:10-2:50-5:25-8:05-10:45.; Sun 9:35-12:10-2:50-5:25-8:05.
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) Fri 2:15, 5:00, 7:55, 10:50. Digital Presentation; Sat 11:20-2:15-5:00-7:55-10:50. Digital Presentation; Sun 11:20-2:15-5:00-7:55. Digital Presentation
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) Fri 2:55, 5:30, 8:00; Sat 10:15-12:40-2:55-5:30-8:00.; Sun 10:15-12:40-2:55-5:30.

Bryn Mawr Film Institute
610-527-9898
824 West Lancaster Avenue
FOOTNOTE (HEARAT SHULAYIM) (PG) Fri 1:30, 7:00; Sat 1:30-7:00-9:15.; Sun 2:00-7:00.
THE LADY (R) Fri 4:00, 9:15; Sat and Sun 11:00-4:00.
MONSIEUR LAZHAR (PG-13) Fri 1:30, 4:00, 7:00, 9:15; Sat 2:00-4:00-7:00-9:15.; Sun 1:30-4:00-7:00.
TALK CINEMA (NR) Sun 10:00

Clearview's Anthony Wayne
610-225-0980
109 West Lancaster Avenue
THE FIVE-YEAR ENGAGEMENT (R) Fri and Sat 12:20, 4:30, 7:15, 9:40; Sun 12:20-4:30-7:15.
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) Fri and Sat 12:10, 2:30, 4:45, 7:45, 10:00; Sun 12:10-2:30-4:45-7:45.
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS (PG-13) 12:30. Digital Projection
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS 3D (PG-13) Fri and Sat 3:40, 6:50, 10:00; Sun 3:40-6:50.
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS (PG) Fri and Sat 12:00, 2:20, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30; Sun 12:00-2:20-4:15-7:00.
THE RAVEN (R) Fri and Sat 12:15, 2:40, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50; Sun 12:15-2:40-5:00-7:30.

Clearview's Bala Theatre
610-668-4695
157 Bala Avenue
CHIMPANZEE (G) Fri 4:15, 7:15, 9:30. Digital Projection; Sat 1:15-4:15-7:15-9:30. Digital Projection; Sun 1:15-4:15-7:15. Digital Projection
DAMSELS IN DISTRESS (PG-13) Fri 4:00, 7:00, 9:25; Sat 1:00-4:00-7:00-9:25.; Sun 1:00-4:00-7:00.
THE FIVE-YEAR ENGAGEMENT (R) Fri 3:45, 6:45, 9:20; Sat 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:20.; Sun 12:45-3:45-6:45.

Hiway Theatre
215-886-9800
212 Old York Road
FOOTNOTE (HEARAT SHULAYIM) (PG) Fri 4:30, 7:00. English Subtitles; Sat 2:00-4:30-7:00. English Subtitles; Sun 2:00-4:30. English Subtitles
THE KID WITH A BIKE (LE GAMIN AU VELO) (PG-13) Fri and Sat 9:30. English Subtitles; Sun 7:00. English Subtitles

Narberth Stadium 2
610-667-0115
129 North Narberth Avenue
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS 3D (PG-13) Fri 4:00, 7:10, 10:20. DLP-Digital Projection; Sat 12:55-4:00-7:10-10:20. DLP-Digital Projection; Sun 12:55-4:00-7:10. DLP-Digital Projection
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS (PG) Fri 4:20, 7:30, 10:20. DLP-Digital Projection; Sat 1:15-4:20-7:30-10:20. DLP-Digital Projection; Sun 1:15-4:20-7:30. DLP-Digital Projection

Regal Marketplace 24
800-326-3264 341
180 Mill Road
21 JUMP STREET (R) 2:55, 9:40
AMERICAN REUNION (R) Fri and Sat 2:10, 8:55, 11:40; Sun 2:10-8:55.
BULLY (PG-13) 1:25, 3:50, 6:15, 8:45
THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) Fri 12:35, 3:00, 5:25, 8:00, 10:40, 11:35; Sat 12:35-3:00-5:25-11:35.; Sun 12:35-3:00-5:25-8:00-10:40.
CHIMPANZEE (G) 12:05, 2:25, 4:35, 7:15, 9:25
DAMSELS IN DISTRESS (PG-13) 11:55, 2:20, 4:55, 7:20, 9:45
THE FIVE-YEAR ENGAGEMENT (R) Fri and Sat 1:05, 1:45, 4:05, 5:00, 6:55, 7:55, 9:55, 10:45, 11:25; Sun 1:05-1:45-4:05-5:00-6:55-7:55-9:55-10:45.
THE HUNGER GAMES (PG-13) 12:45, 3:55, 7:05, 10:10
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) 12:00, 2:35, 5:05, 7:35, 10:25
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS (PG-13) Fri 11:50, 12:40, 1:30, 3:10, 4:00, 4:50, 6:40, 7:30, 8:10, 10:00, 10:50, 11:30. Digital Projection; Sat 11:50-12:40-1:30-3:10-4:00-4:50-6:40-7:30-8:10-10:00-10:50-11:30. Digital Projection; Sun 11:50-12:40-1:30-3:10-4:00-4:50-6:40-7:30-8:10-10:00-10:50. Digital Projection
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS 3D (PG-13) Fri and Sat 11:00, 11:15, 11:30, 12:10, 1:10, 1:50, 2:30, 3:30, 4:30, 5:10, 5:35, 6:00, 6:20, 7:00, 7:50, 8:30, 9:15, 10:20, 11:10, 11:45. RealD 3D; Sun 11:00-11:15-11:30-12:10-1:10-1:50-2:30-3:30-4:30-5:10-5:35-6:00-6:20-7:00-7:50-8:30-9:15-10:20. RealD 3D
MIRROR MIRROR (PG) 1:00, 3:35
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS 3D (PG) 11:45, 2:15, 4:40, 7:10, 9:35. RealD 3D
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS (PG) 12:25, 2:50, 5:15, 7:40, 10:05
THE RAVEN (R) Fri and Sat 11:25, 2:00, 4:45, 7:25, 10:15, 11:15; Sun 11:25-2:00-4:45-7:25-10:15.
RING KINGS: MAYWEATHER VS. COTTO (NR) Sat 9:00
SAFE (R) 11:10, 1:40, 4:25, 7:45, 10:30
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) Fri and Sat 12:50, 3:40, 6:30, 9:30, 11:50; Sun 12:50-3:40-6:30-9:30.
THE THREE STOOGES (PG) 11:35, 1:55, 4:15, 6:35, 9:00
VICKY DONOR (NR) 6:10, 9:10

Regal Plymouth Meeting 10
800-326-3264 335
1011 W Ridge Pike
21 JUMP STREET (R) 4:40. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service
THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) 7:50, 10:10. CC-Closed Captions
CHIMPANZEE (G) 11:50, 2:00, 4:10, 6:45, 9:00. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS (PG-13) 11:40, 12:40, 3:00, 4:00, 6:30, 7:30, 9:45, 10:45. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS 3D (PG-13) 11:10, 12:10, 1:10, 1:40, 3:30, 4:30, 5:00, 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 8:30, 10:15. RealD 3D
MIRROR MIRROR (PG) 11:20, 1:50. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service
THE RAVEN (R) 11:30, 2:10, 4:50, 7:40, 10:20
THINK LIKE A MAN (PG-13) Fri and Sat 1:25, 2:50, 4:15, 7:15, 9:30, 10:30. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service; Sun 1:25-2:50-4:15-7:15-9:30-10:15. CC/DVS-Closed Captions & Descriptive Video Service

Ritz 5 Movies
215-925-7900
214 Walnut Street
BULLY (PG-13) Fri 3:45, 7:00, 9:40; Sat and Sun 1:00-3:45-7:00-9:40.
DAMSELS IN DISTRESS (PG-13) 3:05, 10:00
THE DEEP BLUE SEA (R) Fri 12:15, 5:05, 9:55; Sat and Sun 12:15-5:05-9:55.
FOOTNOTE (HEARAT SHULAYIM) (PG) Fri 12:25, 5:25, 7:50; Sat and Sun 12:25-5:25-7:50.
FRIENDS WITH KIDS (R) 2:40, 7:30
MONSIEUR LAZHAR (PG-13) Fri 12:20, 2:50, 5:15, 7:40, 9:50; Sat 2:50-5:15-7:40-9:50.; Sun 12:20-2:50-5:15-7:40-9:50.
SOUND OF MY VOICE (R) Fri 12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 7:20, 9:45; Sat and Sun 12:10-2:30-4:50-7:20-9:45.

Ritz East
215-925-7900
2nd Street between Walnut and Chestnut
THE BEST EXOTIC MARIGOLD HOTEL (PG-13) Fri 1:30, 3:30, 4:30, 7:00, 8:00, 9:40; Sat and Sun 1:30-3:30-4:30-7:00-8:00-9:40.
MEETING EVIL (R) 1:00

Ritz at the Bourse
215-925-7900
400 Ranstead Street
HEADHUNTERS (HODEJEGERNE) (R) Fri 1:15, 3:40, 7:15, 9:40; Sat and Sun 1:15-3:40-7:15-9:40.
JIRO DREAMS OF SUSHI (PG) 1:20, 7:35
THE KID WITH A BIKE (LE GAMIN AU VELO) (PG-13) 4:00, 9:35
MARLEY (PG-13) 1:35, 6:10, 9:15
THE SKINNY (NR) 1:00, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:45
WE HAVE A POPE (HABEMUS PAPAM) (NR) Fri 1:10, 3:30, 7:00, 9:30; Sat and Sun 1:10-3:30-7:00-9:30.

Roxy Theatre Philadelphia
215-923-6699
2023 Sansom Street
THE LUCKY ONE (PG-13) Fri 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:45; Sat 12:00-2:30-5:00-7:30-9:45.; Sun 12:00-2:30-5:00-7:30.
TRIUMPH OF THE WILL (TRIUMPH DES WILLENS) (1935) (NR) Fri 2:35, 5:05, 7:35, 9:50; Sat 12:05-2:35-5:05-7:35-9:50.; Sun 12:05-2:35-5:05-7:35.

The Pearl Theatre at Avenue North
215-763-7700
1600 North Broad Street
THE CABIN IN THE WOODS (R) Fri and Sat 2:40, 10:10, 12:10; Sun 2:40-10:10.
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS (PG-13) 2:50, 6:40
MARVEL'S THE AVENGERS 3D (PG-13) Fri and Sat 12:00, 1:00, 4:10, 7:40, 9:30, 10:30, 12:30; Sun 12:00-1:00-4:10-7:40-9:30-10:30.
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS 3D (PG) Fri and Sat 12:20, 4:50, 7:00, 11:20; Sun 12:20-4:50-7:00.
THE PIRATES! BAND OF MISFITS (PG) 2:30, 9:10
THE RAVEN (R) Fri and Sat 12:10, 2:30, 4:40, 7:10, 9:50, 12:20; Sun 12:10-2:30-4:40-7:10-9:50.
SAFE (R) Fri and Sat 12:00, 2:20, 5:10, 7:30, 10:00, 12:30; Sun 12:00-2:20-5:10-7:30-10:00.
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Mike Doughty sings, reads and answers your questions on his new tour Yes, he will talk about Soul Coughing, but don't expect him to play any Soul Coughing songs

Though Mike Doughty first emerged in music fans' consciousness as the raspy poetic voice of Soul Coughing, fans who read his recently released memoir, "The Book of Drugs," won't be likely to ever shout out requests of songs from his former band.

"The story of Soul Coughing was that I would be bullied; subjected to very odd, delusional perspectives that I wasn't actually a songwriter in the band," says Doughty. "My bandmates, it seemed, thought that I wasn't particularly important to what was going on in the music."

Though he doesn't have many warm things to say about his bandmates — he refers to them by only the instruments they play throughout the 252 pages of "The Book of Drugs" — Doughty does detail the journey of a man thawing out from an icy military childhood, breaking through a series of crippling addictions and finding a renewed salvation in the sound of music. His narrative voice is vivid, confident and funny as he details just how ugly and ridiculous the unholy trinity of sex, drugs and rock 'n' roll can be.

"Basically, I didn't sit down with the intent of constructing a narrative with a theme," he says. "I just thought that I had a bunch of good stories."

In live performance, Doughty plays a number of his solo songs, reads passages from "The Book of Drugs" and answers audience questions.

"I was terrified, bringing readings into a music show, but it's worked out great," he says.

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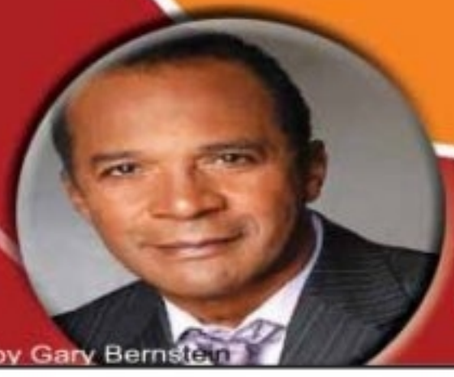

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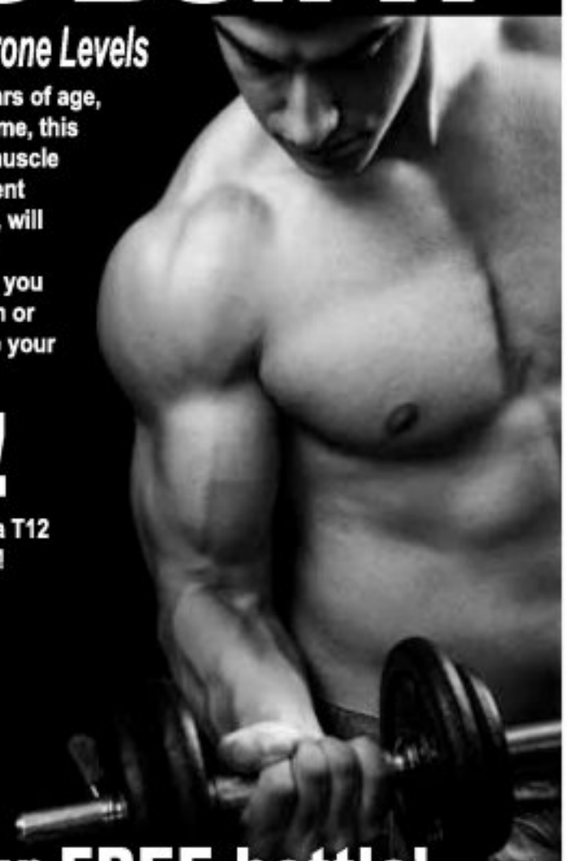

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The feed ...

Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

Today, Chris Colfer is having trouble sitting still, Jennifer Love Hewitt knows what she likes, Steve Martin has some breaking news and Joan Rivers is sharing in the glad tidings.

@chriscolfer
Currently suffering from what I call the 15th hour caffeine giggles...

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I am in love with the brand wildfox, Victoria secret lingerie, Christian loubitans, pop music, coffee bean and my lovelys!

@SteveMartinToGo
Telling you before the tabloids break the story: I'm trading in my in-line skates for a bicycle.

@Joan_Rivers
Congratulations to Jessica Simpson on the birth of her baby girl! The only downside is that when her water broke 200 patients drowned.

Jennifer Love Hewitt

THE WORD

Metro's **Dorothy Robinson** shares her take on the world of gossip @dorothyatmetro dorothy.robinson@metro.us

Pop! Goes Kutcher's new ad campaign

Poor Popchips. They just wanted to get people to eat their unique snack food (aka: communion wafers with salt) but their recent ad campaign is spectacularly backfiring.

The face of the campaign, **Ashton Kutcher**, is currently facing criticism for his roles in the commercials, which many feel are racist, according to E! News. In the online video, Kutcher appears as numerous ridiculous characters, including Raj, a brown-faced Bollywood producer with a thick Indian accent.

Kutcher as Raj, a brown-faced Bollywood producer.

(Kutcher also appears as a character sending up **Karl Lagerfeld** that could be construed as homophobic.) Overwhelmingly negative responses to the advertisement prompted Popchips to remove it from YouTube and Facebook a day after it was released. "The new Popchips worldwide dating video and ad campaign featuring four characters was created to provoke a few laughs and was never intended to stereotype or offend anyone," a company rep said in a statement to the Hollywood Reporter.

Here's the thing someone should have told Popchips: Kutcher can't act. At all. His version of "acting" is basically over-the-top parody — all the time. So when he gets tapped to portray someone of a different race, even in a comedic role, of course it will be seen as mockery/racism. The only actor who could tackle this without getting in trouble? **Sir Ben Kingsley**. Popchips, get that guy on the phone ASAP.

Amber Riley

Amber Riley strikes back

Let's hear it for "Glee" star **Amber Riley**. After a red carpet fainting spell earlier in the week, she's on the (hilarious) defensive about her personal life — including whether or not she's expecting. "Let me stop the rumor mill right now. I'm not pregnant. Yes, I'm black but I don't have diabetes, I don't starve myself to fit clothes; I buy clothes to fit me not vice versa," Riley posted to Twitter in response to the rumors that sprouted up overnight after her episode. "I did get a great laugh this morning reading all the BS, though."

See you on the baby flip side!

On a personal note, today is my last Word column for a while — I'm due to have baby on Saturday. Although I try to make this a lighthearted column, in all seriousness, please know it's been a real honor to be a part of your lives for the past several years. I hope you've enjoyed reading The Word as much as I've enjoyed writing it. Interacting with my readers is the best part of this job and I've loved all of your e-mails, tweets and calls — even the nasty ones. So thank you for being such wonderful people and for making Metro part of your morning routine. See you in September!

Talking points

Miley Cyrus: Animal angel

Miley Cyrus added a fourth dog to her pet roster after finding a Rottweiler-Beagle mix abandoned outside a shopping center, she revealed on Twitter. "He was left in a box in front of Wal-mart," Cyrus posted. "I don't understand how people can be so cruel. That's why we named him Happy." Cyrus spent the rest of the day posting photos of Happy enjoying his new environment.

Cameron Diaz's bad, sobby haircut

A recent rushed visit to a hairdresser friend left **Cameron Diaz** with much shorter locks than expected — and tears in her eyes. "I started crying. I felt so vulnerable. For a woman to all of a sudden have no hair — oh my God," she tells Jay Leno during an interview. "There was a little misunderstanding. I said I just want a little bit cut off." But a bit quickly turned into a bob, which turned traumatic for all involved. "She started crying. I started crying. A couple other people started crying. I ended up writing her a few e-mails over the next few days assuring her I was OK," Diaz says.

Lady Gaga is single again

Lady Gaga and boyfriend **Taylor Kinney** have reportedly called it quits, with the culprit being the singer's hectic schedule, according to Us Weekly. "She will be touring nonstop until next year and has found she can't have a relationship at the same time," a source says of Gaga, who is about to embark on a 110-stop tour. "There's just no room for anything else. Her work is all-consuming." Of course, to hear the source tell it, the relationship might not have lasted much longer on its own, anyway. "Taylor was all about himself, a typical actor, and didn't completely get Gaga," the source adds.

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Lady Gaga, single again

A few pretty ladies for your weekend

1. The never-aging duo **Vanessa Williams** and **Cindy Crawford** attended The International Press Academy of Beverly Hills' 2012 Satellite Awards at Cafe La Boheme on Wednesday in West Hollywood.

2. Hoda Kotb and **Kathie Lee Gifford** attended Dream Big! The Jacob's Cure 2012 gala at Cipriani Wall Street on Wednesday in New York City.

3. Scarlett Johansson of "The Avengers" was honored on the Hollywood Walk of Fame on Wednesday in Hollywood.

4. Santigold guest hosted on SiriusXMU in the SiriusXM Studios on Wednesday in New York City.

5. Eva Mendes attended a screening of "Girl In Progress" at the Directors Guild of America on Wednesday in Los Angeles.

6. La La Anthony and **Swizz Beatz** attended the fourth annual Bronx Charter School For The Arts Art Auction Fundraiser on Wednesday in New York City.

7. Sarah Silverman performed at A Night Of Comedy For Project A.L.S. at the Jon Lovitz Comedy Club on Wednesday in California.

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Letters

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Health care reform: More good than bad

RE: "WHO DO YOU THINK PAYS FOR OBAMACARE?": Given the grim choice between having to pay higher premiums or facing the possibility of being denied coverage once I get sick after years of paying premiums, I would choose the lesser of the two evils. The new health care law is not perfect, but it sure is better than what we had before. Thank you, President Obama. **CAROLYN CASEY, VIA E-MAIL**

Where are all the nonpartisan letters?

When I look to the letters section I am hoping to see America's responses and resolutions to our nations issues. However, it is only hyperpartisan points of view that very rarely contain a substantive and actionable perspective. Is there not a single day when common sense solutions and not party bickering stagnation will prevail — even in your selection of letters? **GLENN KORNEGAY, VIA E-MAIL**

With GOP stance on gays, why bother?

RE: "EARTH TO GAYS: GOP DOESN'T WANT YOU": Well let me say that Mr. Grenell should have known better. None of these GOP people are genuine or have any backbone when it comes to principles. As a gay man, it really amazes me that my brothers put themselves through this. Are you trying to make them like you? Well they don't. Or maybe they do? Guess as you will. One thing is for sure: You are not going to get the truth. It's all about how the wind is blowing that day! Get out of there and make some change happen first, and then go over there if that is what you want. **KEVIN MCNAMARA, VIA E-MAIL**

According to the right wing of the GOP, with two equally qualified applicants — one straight, one gay — the straight one must be hired. Isn't this Affirmative Action favoring straights? I thought conservatives bitterly opposed this policy. This whole sordid affair is just one more example of Mitt Romney being unwilling or unable to think for himself. **DICK ZIEGENFUSS, VIA E-MAIL**

Double standards in party campaigning

RE: "OBAMA, OSAMA, ROMNEY: WHAT IF?": Let me get this straight: Romney and the Republicans are irked about President Obama touting the bin Laden story on the campaign trail as one of the president's greatest accomplishments? Mitt accuses him of being weak on foreign policy — but when he rebuts it, he's accused of politicizing the story and exploiting 9/11. Meantime, Mittens is parading around Manhattan with, of all people, Rudy Giuliani. **STUART SEPTOFF, VIA E-MAIL**

Wall Street only creates inequality

RE: "OCCUPY BACK IN THE NEWS, BUT WHY?": Larry Penner trots out the trope about how Wall Street is what "drives our economy." Wall Street, however, doesn't teach, build, train, research or invent anything that really exists. People are what drive our economy, not idle wealth — and certainly not a collection of stockbrokers who soak their clients on a daily basis. **JOSEPH CONNELL, VIA E-MAIL**

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Horoscope

♉ Taurus **April 20-May 20.** You might not show any signs of getting a move on, but once you get involved in something you like, you'll be dedicated to the cause until the job is finished.

♊ Gemini **May 21-June 20.** Try not to take yourself or any unimportant developments too seriously. If you make a game out of things instead, you'll enjoy the day far more.

♋ Cancer **June 21-July 22.** One of the best ways to resolve a family issue is to give everyone enough time to sleep on it before trying to find a solution. It could help keep everyone's ego in check.

♌ Leo **July 23-Aug. 22.** Think first in order to phrase your remarks or comments in a noncombative manner. If you get careless, there's a chance you might say something offensive without thinking.

♍ Virgo **Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Of course it's important to look out for your own interests — but not at the expense of being indifferent to everybody else's. By being shortsighted, you'll find that you may gain now but lose later.

♎ Libra **Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** If you want to be successful, don't ease up on your work if you can't cut the mustard on your first try. It looks like it might require a second or even third attempt to get something complicated done.

♏ Scorpio **Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Someone might deliberately give you confidential information as a test to see if you would reveal it to others. Aim to pass with flying colors.

♐ Sagittarius **Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Any hope or expectation based on a realistic premise has an excellent possibility of being realized today, mostly because you've taken off your rose-colored glasses.

♑ Capricorn **Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** Although competition might be a bit tougher than usual, you'll be up to the challenge. It isn't likely that you'll do any whining at the fist sign of a struggle.

♒ Aquarius **Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** What keeps you mentally relaxed is having faith in the fact that there's always a solution to every problem. As long as you keep a cool head, you'll find the answers easily.

♓ Pisces **Feb. 20-March 20.** Outside factors may cause a great deal of change — but even though the turmoil might upset others, your versatility will handle it well.

♈ Aries **March 21-April 19.** There's always a chance that those with whom you're involved might lack your vision when it comes to making an important judgment call. Get involved in the decision-making process. **BERNICE BEDE OSOL**

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Solution to Thursday's crossword

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Eat great late

Just because the Taco Bell drive-through is open doesn't mean you should drive through

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Her late-night best-seller? It's not much of a surprise: "I sell bucket-loads and bucket-loads of just simple grilled cheeses," she tells us.

▶ Jamonera's papas fritas: Diner home fries will never be the same.

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Jamonera's pared-down late-night menu won't leave you wishing for the real deal. Served from 10 to 11:30 p.m. Sunday through Thursday, it offers $2 tiny tapas as well as a selection of larger "Kitchen Staff Snacks" ($5-$10), where you'll find dishes such as short rib sliders, a fully-loaded Spanish breakfast and ham-stuffed waffles topped with smoky ice cream. It's likely you'll also luck into some mounds of crispy papas fritas — if you don't tell the home fries, we won't.

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Daughn Gibson
Friday, 9 p.m.
$10, Ortlieb's Lounge
www.r5productions.com

The Cranberries
Saturday, 8:30 p.m.
$40, the Electric Factory
www.ticketmaster.com

We Were Promised Jetpacks
with Breton
Saturday, 8:30 p.m.
$15, Union Transfer
www.utphilly.com

The Old Ceremony
Sunday, 8 p.m.
$10, North Star Bar
www.northstarbar.com

Allen Stone
Monday, 8 p.m.
$15-$18, World Cafe Live
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▶ Santigold plays the Troc on Tuesday.

Feist
with Timber Timbre
Tuesday, 8 p.m.
$27-$48, The Academy of Music
www.kimmelcenter.org

Santigold
with Theophilus London
Tuesday, 8 p.m.
$30, The Trocadero
www.thetroc.com

Meg Mackey
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Wednesday, 9 p.m.
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www.route6restaurant.com
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▶ Cinco de Mayo margaritas.

Cinco de Mayo at Revel
Saturday, Revel
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Rest turns to rust in Game 3 defeat

Flyers fall 4-3 in OT, trail Devils in series, 2-1 Bad line change dooms team Kovalchuk sharp in return

All of a sudden, that rest the Flyers had before this series started is starting to look like rust. In back-to-back games the Flyers have looked slower, sloppier and more dull than the Devils, who won 4-3 in Game 3 thanks to a late, overtime goal by Alexei Ponikarovsky.

The focus coming in was to "right some wrongs," according to head coach Peter Laviolette, but the Flyers weren't up to the challenge. They got beat to pucks, couldn't control play along the boards and the Devils were there to capitalize.

"I don't know what switch you turn on, but nobody wants to go down 2-1 in this series," Laviolette said before the game.

Now his team heads back for an off-day in Philadelphia with the exact scenario he was trying to avoid. The Flyers are down a game in the best-of-seven series, and trail in a series for the first time this postseason. The Flyers had two different power plays in overtime and couldn't get the goal they desperately needed.

Devils star Ilya Kovalchuk missed Game 2 with a balky back, but returned with a vengeance in Game 3, netting a goal and two assists. One of the helpers came on the game-winner. He said the trainers and doctors performed "a little magic," and it was just what he needed to send the Flyers home with a result they weren't looking for.

Bad news gets worse, too. Rookie Sean Couturier played 3:59 in five shifts of the first period before leaving the game with an injured right leg. He limped off the ice after battling in a corner where his right leg was locked between David Clarkson's legs. He didn't return to the game and limped heavily off the ice after that shift.

If he is not available to Laviolette and the Flyers, they may allow center Ben Holmstrom to make his NHL playoff debut in Game 4 on Sunday night in Newark, N.J.

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▶ Brayden Schenn gave the Flyers a 1-0 lead early in the first period. However, New Jersey won Game 3, 4-3, in overtime.

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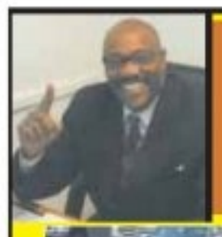

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No Bull: Holiday, Sixers intend to stay aggressive

◗ Point guard is starting unit's top option ◗ Exploded for 26 points in Game 2 ◗ Looking to take series lead

Jrue Holiday has heard it over and over again from coach Doug Collins this season: Attack the basket, be aggressive early, score the basketball.

It has been Collins' mantra because he knows the 21-year-old point guard is the starting unit's best scorer. And in Tuesday's Game 2 win in Chicago, all that harping finally paid off. Holiday scored 26 points as the Sixers' offense broke out with 109 points against the league's No. 1 defense.

It's not a natural role for Holiday, but he knows that his offense is one of the keys to the series.

"I look more to set people up. But when it comes down to it, I need to be aggressive. That's how we're going to win," Holiday said after Thursday's practice. "When I'm aggressive scoring, it opens up things for everyone else."

During the regular season, the Sixers ranked 22nd in points per game and shot 44.8-percent from the field. They shot a torrid 59-percent in Game 2, a rate they know is unsustainable as they posted 109 points.

"I thought we played some very good freelance basketball, but we kept our discipline. And that's a hard thing to do," Collins said. "And make no bones about it. You shoot 59-percent, you've got a great chance to win."

Much of that chance is riding on Holiday.

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▶ Holiday and the Sixers host Chicago in Game 3 Friday.

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Sizing up the situation

The biggest advantage the Bulls have on the Sixers is their size.

Expect coach Tom Thibodeau to emphasize rebounding, physical play and getting to the foul line in Game 3. Doug Collins will counter with Lavoy Allen.

Yes, the same Lavoy Allen that was the 50th pick in the 2011 draft out of Temple. Allen has 15 rebounds in the first two games of this series, while struggling Spencer Hawes has seven.

"He's unflappable. You can trust him," Collins said of Allen.

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Phillies invade DC to 'Take Back' Citizens Bank Park South

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It's not another Occupy movement when the Phillies visit the Nationals Park, it just seems that way.

Ever since the Nationals were born in 2005, it feels like Citizens Bank Park South whenever the Phillies invade our nation's capital.

But maybe not this year. The Nationals launched a "Take Back The Park" initiative in January designed to prevent Phillies fans from entering their park. Tickets for the three-game series have only been available for season-ticket holders and residents of Virginia, Maryland and Washington, D.C.

"I like it when the people in the ballpark support us," said injured Nationals slugger Mike Morse. "Sometimes, it feels like you're the away team playing in your own park since so many fans have the opposing colors on. That's great for the Phillies, but I would rather have Nationals fans at our ballpark."

The Nationals are taking this so seriously that Washington mayor Vincent C. Gray issued a proclamation Thursday declaring the three-game set in D.C. "Natitude Weekend."

With so many secondary ticket markets and relatives and friends in the D.C. area, it's hard to imagine how the Nationals will keep Phillies fans out of their park.

"Good luck with that," Laynce Nix said. "That's going to be difficult for them."

Nix, a former Nat, who joined the Phillies during the offseason, recalls what it was like when the Nationals hosted his new team.

"It felt like a Phillies home game when I played there," Nix said. "Last year, the Phillies fans really packed the park. That's the way it is when your fans are that supportive. I don't know how they can stop Phillies fans from going down there, if that's what they want to do."

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Joe Cool

Joe Blanton (3-3, 2.83 ERA) stole the show in the Phillies' 4-0 victory Thursday over Atlanta. He gave up just three hits and struck out six batters (on 88 pitches) in a complete-game shutout, his first since June 2, 2007.

- After the game, Blanton conducted his postgame interview while riding a stationary bike.
- "This is the best I've felt mechanically and physically since 2007," he said.

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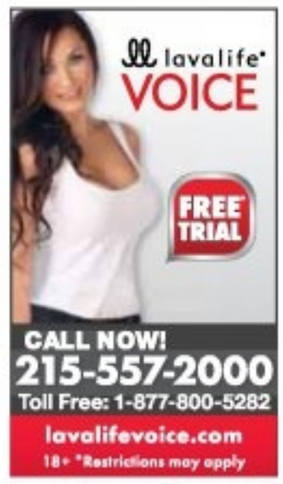

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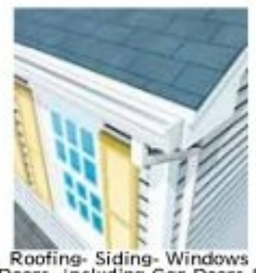

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